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Title : Pressure Sensor, Flowmeter Electronic Component, and Method
for Manufacturing the Same

RESPONSE

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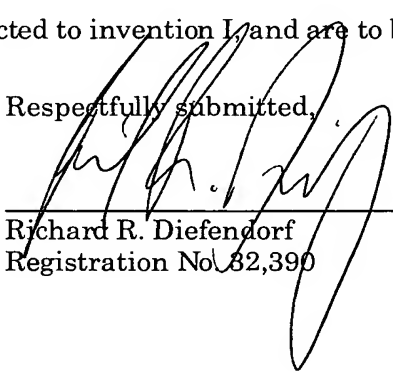
Sir:

In response to the requirement set forth in the Office Action dated December 13, 2005, the invention identified by the Examiner as invention I, drawn to a pressure sensor, is elected for examination.

It appears that the preliminary amendment filed July 7, 2004, has been overlooked. The Examiner is advised that claims 15-20 of the preliminary amendment correspond to original claims 1-4, are directed to invention I, and are to be examined.

Respectfully submitted,

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